

Program B: Grants**OBJECTIVE AND PERFORMANCE INDICATOR**

Unless otherwise indicated, all objectives are to be accomplished during or by the end of FY 2003-2004. Objectives may be key or supporting level. The level of the objective appears after the objective number and before the objective text.

Performance indicators are made up of two parts: name and value. The indicator name describes what is being measured. The indicator value is the numeric value or level achieved within a given measurement period. For budgeting purposes, performance indicators are shown for the prior fiscal year, the current fiscal year, and alternative funding scenarios (continuation budget level and Executive Budget recommendation level) for the ensuing fiscal year of the budget document. Performance indicators may be key, supporting, or general performance information level. Key level is indicated by a "K" in the "Level" column of the standard performance indicator table. Supporting level is indicated by an "S" in the "Level" column of the standard performance indicator table. General Performance Information indicators appear in tables labeled as General Performance Information.

Proposed performance standards do not reflect the most recent budget adjustments implemented by the Division of Administration during development of the FY 2003-2004 Executive Budget. Rather, proposed performance standards indicate a "To be established" status since the agency had insufficient time to assess the full performance impacts of the final Executive Budget Recommendation. As a result, during the 2003 Legislative Session, the agency will seek amendment to the General Appropriation Bill to identify proposed performance standards reflective of the funding level recommended in the Executive Budget.

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1. (Key) To assist communities to recruit and retain a minimum of ___ health care practitioners in rural and underserved areas through the State Loan Repayment Program.

Strategic Link: This linked to the DHH Strategic Plan to Objective 1.1: Through the Division of Research and Development, to recruit a minimum of 17 new health care practitioners in rural and underserved areas through the State Loan Repayment Program each year through June 30, 2006.

Louisiana: Vision 2020 Link: This is linked to Vision 2020 Goal 3, Objective 4: To have a safe and healthy environment for all citizens.

Children's Cabinet Link: Not applicable

Other Link(s): Healthy People 2010: This is linked to Goal 1 of Healthy People 2010: To improve access to comprehensive, high-quality health care services.

Other Link(s): Blueprint for Health: This is linked to Goal 2: Expansion of primary health care through collaboration with local public and private providers, the LA Rural Health Care Coalition and the LA Primary Care Association. This is also linked to Goal 3: Medical Workforce Development.

Explanatory Note: The purpose of the State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) is to assist communities in federally designated Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs) to recruit and retain primary health care providers. In return for rendering services, DHH provides funds to the health care practitioners to repay verified health educational loans. HPSAs are areas where the patient to doctor ratio is 3,000 to 1 or greater.

LaPAS PI CODE	L E V E L	PERFORMANCE INDICATOR NAME	PERFORMANCE INDICATOR VALUES					
			YEAREND PERFORMANCE STANDARD FY 2001-2002	ACTUAL YEAREND PERFORMANCE FY 2001-2002	PERFORMANCE STANDARD AS INITIALLY APPROPRIATED FY 2002-2003	EXISTING PERFORMANCE STANDARD FY 2002-2003	PERFORMANCE AT CONTINUATION BUDGET LEVEL FY 2003-2004	PERFORMANCE AT EXECUTIVE BUDGET LEVEL FY 2003-2004
8004	K	Number of new and existing health care practitioners recruited and supported to work in rural and underserved areas ¹	17 ²	10 ²	28	28	17	To be established
10046	S	Projected loan repayment amount	\$840,000	\$331,178 ³	\$846,000	28	\$846,000	To be established

¹ Starting FY02, two indicators: "Number of new health care practitioners recruited to work in rural and underserved areas" and "Number of existing health care practitioners supported in rural and underserved areas" have been combined to make the objective and measures easier to understand, and so that no significant information will be lost.

² This number was previously reported as "Number of new health care practitioners recruited to work in rural and underserved areas." It has now been combined with another performance indicator.

³ Because of the decrease in the number of new physicians we were able to recruit this fiscal year, we had no new applications to certify and thus could not spend the money designated for loan repayments.

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GENERAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION:						
LaPAS PI CODE	PERFORMANCE INDICATOR NAME	PERFORMANCE INDICATOR VALUES				
		PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL FY 1997-98	PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL FY 1998-99	PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL FY 1999-00	PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL FY 2000-01	PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL FY 2001-02
12218	Number of health professionals health shortage area designations ¹	129	130	137	91	96 ²
12219	Practitioners recruited and funded through the National Health Service Corps ²	15	17	15	12	23

¹ A Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSA) is built on a ratio of possible patients to one full-time equivalent health care provider.

² With additional staff, we have surveyed the state to identify Dental and Mental Health shortage areas. Our priority continues to be areas that have lost designations, areas with existing Federally Qualified Health Centers, areas with high primary care shortages, and areas that have requested assistance. The Office of Primary Care anticipates an increase in the number of overall HPSAs within the next year.

³ The federal government makes payments directly to the practitioners in this program. This program is similar to the State Loan Repayment Program, but 100% federal funds are paid to alleviate health professional shortages in rural and underserved areas.